

Department of Health
Notice of Rulemaking Hearing
Board of Medical Examiners
Division of Health Related Boards

There will be a hearing before the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners to consider the promulgation of amendments to rules pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-6-101, 63-6-207, 63-6-233, and Public Chapter 774 of the Public Acts of 2006. The hearing will be conducted in the manner prescribed by the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-204 and will take place in the Division of Health Related Board's Conference Room on the Third Floor of the Heritage Place Building located at 227 French Landing, Nashville, TN at 2:30 p.m. (CDT) on the 18th day of September, 2006.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (review these filings) should contact the Department of Health, Division of Health Related Boards to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation or review. Such initial contact may be made no less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled meeting date (the date such party intends to review such filings), to allow time for the Division to determine how it may reasonably provide such aid or service. Initial contact may be made with the ADA Coordinator at the Division of Health Related Boards, 227 French Landing, Suite 300, Heritage Place, MetroCenter, Nashville, TN 37243, (615) 532-4397.

For a copy of the entire text of this notice of rulemaking hearing contact:

Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager, Division of Health Related Boards, 227 French Landing, Suite 300, Heritage Place, MetroCenter, Nashville, TN 37243, (615) 532-4397.

Substance of Proposed Rules

Amendments

Rule 0880-2-.08 Examination, is amended by adding the following language as new subparagraph (4) (e):

(4) (e) Extensions

1. The seven (7) year limitation for the USMLE contained in subparagraph (4) (b) of this rule may be extended for applicants who are licensed in good standing and who have been engaged in continuous training and practice in another jurisdiction in which the applicants have been granted an extension or waiver from the seven (7) year limitation.
2. The amount of time an applicant has actively served while continuous training and practicing in the armed forces of the United States shall not

be counted in calculating the seven (7) year limitation for the USMLE contained in subparagraph (4) (b) of this rule .

3. No extension may be granted that operates to authorize an applicant to take longer than ten (10) years to complete all three steps of the USMLE.
4. The provisions of this subparagraph (e) shall expire and no longer be valid on May 24, 2009.

Authority T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-6-101, 63-6-207, and Public Chapter 774 of the Public Acts of 2006.

Rule 0880-2-.19 Continuing Medical Education, is amended by inserting the following language as new subparagraph (1) (b), and renumbering the current subparagraphs (1) (b), (1) (c) and (1) (d) as subparagraphs (1) (c), (1) (d) and (1) (e):

- (1) (b) At least one (1) of the forty (40) required hours shall be a course designed specifically to address prescribing practices.

Authority T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-6-101, and 63-6-233.

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Contact who can answer questions concerning this notice of rulemaking hearing, technical contact for disk acquisition, and person who will approve final copy for publication: Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager, Division of Health Related Boards, 227

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I certify that this is an accurate and complete representation of the intent and scope of rulemaking proposed by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners.

Robbie H. Bell, Director
Division of Health Related Boards

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 25th day of July, 2006.

Notary Public

My commission expires on the 20th day of March, 2010.

The notice of rulemaking set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State on the ____ day of _____, 2006.

Riley C. Darnell
Secretary of State

By: _____